

[AIRCRAFT YOUTH SEAT/FAMILY SEATING ARRANGEMENT]

Abstract

A method of improving aircraft seating efficiency is provided, including positioning a first plurality of seating rows within a first region of an aircraft interior. The first region comprises a first aircraft width and each of the first plurality of seating rows comprises a uniform first quantity of standard aircraft seats. The standard aircraft seats have a standard aircraft seat width. The method further includes locating a tapered region of said aircraft interior having a second aircraft width. The second aircraft width is sufficiently less than the first aircraft width such that the first quantity of standard aircraft seats cannot fit within the tapered region. The method includes positioning a second plurality of seating rows within the tapered region. Each of the second plurality of seating rows includes a second quantity of standard aircraft seats having the standard aircraft seat width. The second quantity of standard aircraft seats is aligned with the first quantity of standard aircraft seats to form a plurality of aircraft columns. The method includes positioning at least one reduced dimension

youth aircraft seat within one of the second plurality of seating rows to increase a net aircraft passenger capacity.